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1. CEASEFIRE: OTHER THAN MINOR VIOLATIONS REPORTED BY IDF,
ALL WAS QUIET NOV. 15 BOTH ON CANAL AND IN GOLAN. IMPLE-
MENTATION OF ARTICLES C THROUGH F OF CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT
PROGRESSSED SMOOTHLY. TWENTY-SIX WOUNDED ISRAELIS AND 375
EGYPTIAN SOLDIERS EXCHANGED BY AIRLIFT NOV. 15. GENERALS

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YARIV AND GAMASSY MET AT KILOMETER 101 TO WORK OUT

ARRANGEMENTS FOR EVACUATION OF FROM 1200-1500 SICK AND WOUNDED FROM SUEZ CITY. EVACUATION WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY ICRC NOV. 16. NEXT ISRAELI/EGYPTIAN MEETING, ACCORDING TO PRESS, NOW SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK. DISQUIETING NOTE REPORTED BY AFP WHICH CLAIMED PDRY FONMIN SAID NOV. 15 THAT BLOCKADE OF BAB AL-MANDEB WAS BEING CARRIED OUT BY EGYPTIAN NAVY AND S. YEMENI GROUND FORCES ON PERIM ISLAND.

2. ISRAELI REACTION: REACTION IN TEL AVIV TO RETURN OF FIRST ISRAELI POWS WAS EBULLIENT. RIGHT WINGERS EVEN CALLED OFF DEMONSTRATIONS OPPOSING GOI "SURRENDER TO FOREIGN PRESSURES" SO AS NOT TO INTERFERE WITH GENERAL REJOICING. DEFMIN DAYAN WELCOMED RETURNING POWS AND ACCORDING TO REUTER SAID, "FINALLY, FINALLY WE ARE GETTING SOMEWHERE, NOW THAT WE ARE BEGINNING TO BEHAVE LIKE HUMAN BEINGS--NEGOTIATING INSTEAD OF FIGHTING." DAYAN SAID THAT NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS WAS POWS HELD BY SYRIA AND ADDED THAT ISRAEL HAD ALREADY AGREED TO REPATRIATION OF 15,000 SYRIAN VILLAGERS DISPLACED IN RECENT FIGHTING AS PART OF POW EXCHANGE. FONMIN EBAN, MEANWHILE, DISCUSSED SYRIAN QUESTION WITH SYG WALDHEIM.

3. EC NINE CONTINUED TO FACE IMPASSE ON JOINT ENERGY DEMARCHE TO ARABS AFTER FRENCH REJECTED TEXT DEVELOPED IN NOV. 12-13 MEETINGS. MATTER MAY BE RAISED AGAIN AT NOV. 20 MEETING OF FONMINS. RUSH

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